



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending August 16, 2015

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.5 day suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 16, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 18 percent very short, 31 percent short, 44 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 19 percent very short, 26 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 61.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 72.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Hot Springs. Highs ranged from 83.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 98.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Nashville. The precipitation for the week was minimal in the state, with the highest concentration in the northeast region of the state with an average of 1.06 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 16, 2015

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	100	99	99	99
Corn, dent	95	91	93	95
Corn, mature	66	45	60	68
Corn, harvested	12	2	1	18
Cotton, setting bolls	98	97	99	100
Cotton, open bolls	13	7	5	11
Peanuts, pegging	99	97	NA	NA
Rice, headed	88	76	80	86
Rice, mature	27	14	5	19
Rice, harvested	2	0	0	2
Sorghum, headed	100	96	100	100
Sorghum, coloring	90	75	84	86
Sorghum, mature	44	18	25	43
Sorghum, harvested	4	0	0	10
Soybeans, blooming	96	93	94	96
Soybeans, setting pods	86	77	86	85
Soybeans, turning color	34	14	13	12
Soybeans, dropping leaves	4	NA	1	4

Crop condition for week ending August 16, 2015

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	3	25	48	18
Cotton	4	1	15	46	34
Hay, alfalfa	1	6	62	29	2
Hay, other	3	20	40	31	6
Livestock	2	3	32	54	9
Pasture	5	17	33	35	10
Peanuts	2	4	51	40	3
Rice	3	4	22	53	18
Sorghum	2	2	17	55	24
Soybeans	5	7	26	48	14

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Spraying weeds and brush. Harvesting melons. Applying fly control on cattle, and preparing fields for planting fall forages.”

-Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Cooler temperatures late in the week should be beneficial to crops. Corn irrigation is nearing the end on most fields. Sugarcane aphid has increased in numbers during the week, with a few fields being treated. Have not found many other insects. A few livestock producers harvested hay.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“A few rice fields have been drained for harvest. Combines should be hitting the fields Monday. Salt or glyphosate applications are being made to grain sorghum fields in preparation for harvest.”

-Rick Wimberley, Cross County

“Farmers continued irrigation of rice and soybeans. First harvest of corn and rice is occurring with no yield indications. Sorghum harvest will begin this week; weather permitting.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Corn and grain sorghum harvest has begun, but there is no information yet on yields. Early planted rice fields are being drained. Cotton and soybean irrigation continues. Grain sorghum is being desiccated to help speed up harvest. Few cotton fields are being sprayed for worms.”

-Mitch Crow, Saint Francis County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 16, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	83.1	64.1	73.6	78.3	-4.6	0.00	0	NA	3.51	NA
Lead Hill	85.9	64.3	75.1	76.8	-1.7	0.00	0	-0.68	3.28	0.22
Winslow	83.7	67.3	75.5	NA	NA	0.00	0	NA	3.49	NA
Extreme/Average	84.2	65.2	74.7	77.5	-3.2	0.00	0	-0.68	3.43	0.22
North Central										
Calico Rock	85.9	61.7	73.8	77.5	-3.7	0.00	0	-0.65	3.23	0.28
Evening Shade	86.8	64.4	75.6	80.0	-4.3	0.23	1	-0.40	4.73	1.59
Gilbert	88.1	62.6	75.4	79.2	-3.8	0.00	0	-0.61	1.24	-1.54
Mammoth Spring	86.6	64.1	75.4	77.6	-2.2	0.70	2	0.05	5.85	3.00
Mountain Home	86.4	66.6	76.5	79.4	-2.9	0.02	1	-0.66	3.70	0.90
Mountain View	90.3	64.6	77.4	79.5	-2.1	0.00	0	-0.87	3.80	0.14
Extreme/Average	87.4	64.0	75.7	78.8	-3.2	0.16	2	-0.52	3.76	0.73
Northeast										
Corning	86.9	67.0	76.9	79.8	-2.8	2.28	2	1.67	5.04	1.91
Jonesboro	87.6	65.6	76.6	79.9	-3.4	0.89	2	0.24	7.01	4.01
Keiser	88.6	71.8	80.2	81.1	-0.9	2.87	2	2.48	6.79	4.03
Newport	86.3	68.0	77.1	80.7	-3.6	0.07	2	-0.50	9.82	7.01
Pocahontas	89.3	66.6	77.9	79.1	-1.2	0.27	2	-0.42	3.96	1.02
Searcy	91.4	70.6	81.0	81.0	0.0	0.00	0	-0.59	2.70	-0.21
Extreme/Average	88.4	68.3	78.3	80.3	-2.0	1.06	2	0.48	5.89	2.96
West Central										
Dardanelle	92.6	67.6	80.1	81.8	-1.8	0.00	0	NA	4.52	NA
Mena	94.7	65.0	79.9	78.8	1.0	0.00	0	-0.57	0.23	-3.18
Subiaco	90.3	67.7	79.0	80.9	-1.9	0.00	0	-0.71	1.65	-1.27
Waldron	95.3	64.9	80.1	79.5	0.5	0.00	0	-0.68	0.19	-2.64
Extreme/Average	93.2	66.3	79.8	80.3	-0.5	0.00	0	-0.65	1.65	-2.36
Central										
Alum Fork	91.6	67.7	79.6	79.6	0.0	0.00	0	-0.67	3.39	0.21
Cabot	93.4	67.6	80.5	80.9	-0.4	0.00	0	-0.46	1.59	-1.05
Conway	95.4	68.0	81.7	81.1	0.6	0.00	0	-0.65	0.96	-1.77
Hot Springs	93.9	72.0	82.9	82.4	0.5	0.00	0	-0.65	0.25	-3.16
Morrilton	93.0	66.1	79.6	80.5	-0.9	0.00	0	-0.57	3.08	0.52
Extreme/Average	93.5	68.3	80.9	80.9	0.0	0.00	0	-0.60	1.85	-1.05
East Central										
Brinkley	91.4	68.3	79.9	80.6	-0.7	0.00	0	-0.48	2.25	-0.25
Des Arc	90.6	70.6	80.6	81.9	-1.4	0.00	0	-0.53	2.23	-0.27
Stuttgart	92.4	71.6	82.0	81.1	0.8	0.00	0	-0.41	0.51	-2.09
West Memphis	90.0	70.4	80.2	81.0	-0.8	0.50	1	0.01	5.42	2.74
Extreme/Average	91.1	70.2	80.7	81.1	-0.5	0.13	1	-0.35	2.60	0.03
Southwest										
Ashdown	96.9	69.7	83.3	NA	NA	0.00	0	-0.57	0.00	-2.57
Murfreesboro	95.4	64.6	80.0	79.4	0.6	0.00	0	-0.68	0.60	-2.48
Nashville	98.7	68.4	83.6	82.8	0.8	0.00	0	-0.61	0.04	-2.99
Extreme/Average	97.0	67.6	82.3	81.1	0.7	0.00	0	-0.62	0.21	-2.68
South Central										
Camden	97.6	68.7	83.1	81.6	1.5	0.00	0	-0.57	0.00	-2.80
Fordyce	94.7	68.9	81.8	80.1	1.7	0.11	1	-0.48	0.11	-2.92
Magnolia	98.5	66.8	82.7	81.4	1.3	0.00	0	-0.53	0.00	-1.67
Sparkman	93.1	68.0	80.6	80.5	0.1	0.06	1	-0.48	0.15	-2.64
Extreme/Average	96.0	68.1	82.0	80.9	1.1	0.04	1	-0.51	0.07	-2.51
Southeast										
Crossett	94.7	68.7	81.7	80.8	0.9	0.80	2	0.01	1.05	-2.16
Eudora	98.3	71.1	84.7	83.2	1.5	0.45	1	-0.30	0.70	-2.52
Portland	92.8	69.8	81.3	81.4	-0.1	0.37	1	-0.11	0.96	0.21
Rohwer	91.3	71.1	81.2	81.4	-0.2	0.04	1	-0.53	0.45	-2.31
Extreme/Average	94.3	70.2	82.2	81.7	0.5	0.42	2	-0.23	0.79	-1.69
State	91.7	67.6	79.7	80.3	-0.8	0.22	0	-0.38	2.35	-0.61

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.